



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Application of: Stefan Ihde | Group No.: 3732 |
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| For: Bone-Adaptive Surface Structure | Examiner: WERNER, Jonathan |

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

HONORABLE SIR:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated April 3, 2006 (Final OA) and the Advisory Action of July 19, 2006 (AA), Applicant submits the following Amendment and Response with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination documents.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Amendment. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 08-3460.